

Law Enforcement (FINAL)

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ITEM 2. Project Coverage

The current riding area covers 186 square miles. There are 100's of miles of dirt roadways that have been designated OHV trails. The emergency units also cover an adjacent 160 square miles as first responders until the respective jurisdictional agency arrives.

ITEM 3. Describe the frequency of the patrols

The OHV trails and riding area are patrolled daily by LE units. The City has opened up an area with over 160 square miles for OHV recreation. This area was originally developed and has abandoned dirt streets that the City has designated dual-purpose for OHV recreation. The City has a resident LE Officer stationed at the main OHV area. The trails and OHV area encompass the majority of the City's land mass. The City is OHV Friendly and has plans on expanding routes and would need additional personnel time to patrol the additional routes. There are additional LE Officers assigned to the entire OHV riding area during the weekends, holidays, and other peak times.

ITEM 4. Deployment of Personnel

There are 12 Full-Time and Part-Time LE Officers that share patrol and response duties in the OHV riding area. The City has expanded it's OHV Law Enforcement / Rescue Volunteer program and there are 20 Non-Sworn Volunteer LE personnel who assist LE Officers. Fire Department arson investigators who are California Peace officers respond along with Police LE officers. Fire investigators assist with illegal burning to vegetation and other resources, as well as issue citations and make arrests for other OHV violations.

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1. Identify areas with high priority law enforcement needs because of public safety, cultural resources, and sensitive environmental habitats, including wilderness areas and areas of critical environmental concerns:

The OHV team responds to over 1,000 emergency and non-emergency OHV related calls each year. A large ratio are riding related injuries that frequently require coordination of an emergency Air Ambulance. LE also performs patrols on bordering tortoise preserve area for trespassing. A couple of the designated OHV routes run close to the fenced preservation area and there is an increased need to monitor for off-route violations. Throughout the year we receive over 320,000 visitors to our area. During the busiest holiday of the year, we have been over 100,000 visitors.

2. Describe how the proposed Project relates to OHV Recreation and will sustain OHV Recreation, motorized off-highway access to non-motorized recreation, or OHV Opportunities associated with the Project Area:

The City has passed special City Ordinances that permit OHV recreation within the City as long as it does not have a negative financial impact on the City. This Grant, along with a local permit fee that is collected, will cover OHV related expenses that are incurred. LE personnel will provide enforcement of OHV regulations and laws and manage the recreation so that there is cooperation with OHV users as well as local nearby homeowners near trails.

3. Describe the Applicant's formal or informal cooperation with other law enforcement agencies:

The OHV Team maintains an open cooperation with LE agencies that have jurisdiction adjacent to the Cal City riding area. These agencies include: BLM, Kern County Sheriff's Dept, CHP, and San Bernardino Sheriff's Department. interaction with these agencies are common place during holiday weekends. An additional MOU is in the planning stage to work with the nearby City of Ridgecrest and mutual aid with their OHV team.

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4. Does the Applicant recover a portion of the law enforcement costs directly associated with privately sponsored OHV events where sponsors have obtained a local permit? (Please select Yes or No)

☒ Yes ☐ No

Explain

The City would charge a fee to the sponsor of an OHV event for LE related expenses, but such an event has not occurred in several years.

5. The Applicant agrees to implement a public education program that includes information on safety programs available in the area and how to report OHV violations? (Please select Yes or No)

☒ Yes ☐ No

6. Describe the Applicant's OHV law enforcement training program including how the training program educates personnel to address OHV safety and natural and cultural resource protection:

New OHV LE Officers must undergo an additional training program with experienced OHV LE Officers. The training includes emergency OHV operation, testing on OHV laws, and familiarization with the adjacent tortoise preserve boundaries and related laws concerning the preserve area.

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7. Is the proposed project in accordance with local or federal plans and the OHMVR Division Strategic Plan? (Please select Yes or No)
8. LOCAL AGENCIES ONLY - Describe the Applicant's policies and/or agreements regarding enforcement on federal land:

☒ Yes ☐ No

Cal City has federal land within its city limits. The City has an agreement to assist BLM LE personnel. BLM and local Police will then determine if either federal or local statutes enforcement would be most appropriate.

9. COUNTIES ONLY - Describe how the OHV in-lieu of tax funds are being used and whether the use of these fees complements the Applicant's project:

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10. APPLICANTS WHO MANAGE OHV RECREATION FACILITIES – Describe how your organization is meeting its operation and maintenance needs:

The City uses both OHV Grant Funding and local permit fees to cover some of the basic supply costs with our facility. There is a residence LE Officer stationed at our OHV facility and performs the regular maintenance during the slower periods of the week.

11. The Applicant agrees to enforce the registration of OHVs and the other provision of Division 16.5 commencing with Section 38000 of the vehicle code and to enforce other applicable laws regarding the operation of OHVs? (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No

Project Cost Estimate

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APPLICANT NAME :	City of California City		
PROJECT TITLE :	Law Enforcement (FINAL)	PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) :	G09-03-26-L01
PROJECT TYPE :	<input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition <input type="checkbox"/> Development <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Operations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration		
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DIRECT EXPENSES							
Program Expenses							
1	Staff						
	Law Enforcement Officers Notes : 4 FT LE Employees assigned 75% of their time to patrol, enforce OHV laws, and manage OHV recreation in Cal City Riding area.	6240.000	45.680	FTE	213,782.25	71,260.75	285,043.00
	Supervisor Notes : 50% of FT LE Supervisor for OHV LE/Recreation.	1040.000	52.880	HRS	41,246.25	13,748.75	54,995.00
	Law Enforcement Officers Notes : Additional LE Officers / OT on busy weekends or special OHV enforcement project dates in the OHV riding area	950.000	49.000	HRS	46,550.00	0.00	46,550.00
	Technician Notes : Park Information Clerk main counter to give flyers and issue local permits, assist with young lost riders until reunited with parents, coordinate lost & found property returns of OHV equipment, and provide new visitors of local ordinances pertaining to OHV recreation.	850.000	30.000	HRS	25,500.00	0.00	25,500.00
	Other-Park Aid Notes : Civilian personnel assisting OHV visitors with routes, maps,	3000.000	10.000	HRS	15,000.00	15,000.00	30,000.00

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	and information flyers.						
	Law Enforcement Officers Notes : Part-Time LE Officers / Reserves that will augment Law Enforcement deployments	2500.000	20.000	HRS	25,000.00	25,000.00	50,000.00
	Law Enforcement Officers Notes : Contract additional LE Officers from other agencies to assist on large OHV operations and major holidays to assist local LE agency	200.000	50.000	HRS	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
	Park Ranger Notes : Resident Ranger, other LE Personnel volunteering time at OHV area or being paid by City, stand-by time assignments at OHV park, and other OHV related calls not paid by grant funds.	2000.000	20.000	HRS	0.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
	Total for Staff				377,078.50	165,009.50	542,088.00
2	Contracts						
	Air Time Notes : Rental of small helicopter to be staffed by LE officer. LE officer would have at least 1st aid gear and available to respond to remote OHV injured rider scenes. LE airship would patrol OHV riding area for trespassing, riding off-trail, reckless operation and other OHV violations that would jeopardize public safety. Air crew would then radio ground units to coordinate intervention. Air crew would also assist in Search/Rescue operations, missing riders, lost children who have wandered away from OHV camps.	85.000	550.000	HRS	46,750.00	0.00	46,750.00
3	Materials / Supplies						
	Safety Equipment Notes : Case of Airship Signal/Landing smoke (50 cnt)	1.000	1500.000	PKG	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00

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	Safety Equipment Notes : 3 Sets Night Strobe / Airship Landing Zone Marker	3.000	250.000	EA	750.00	0.00	750.00
	Signs Notes : Reg. Signs on existing sign posts	36.000	60.000	EA	2,160.00	0.00	2,160.00
	Safety Equipment Notes : Personal Safety gear issued to members: Boots, safety vests, foul weather gear, equipment belt/packs, etc.	20.000	400.000	SET	8,000.00	0.00	8,000.00
	Total for Materials / Supplies				12,410.00	0.00	12,410.00
4	Equipment Use Expenses						
	Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes : Gallons/Fuel for 12 month supply Emergency Response Vehicles	1000.000	3.000	EA	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
	Vehicle Operations and Maintenance Notes : Routine service and repair costs to OHV Emergency Response vehicles	12.000	500.000	MOS	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
	Total for Equipment Use Expenses				9,000.00	0.00	9,000.00
5	Equipment Purchases						
	Laptop Computers Notes : Laptops would be used to prepare accident reports, missing person reports, misc police reports, and other necessary information system usage to increase the LE patrol time in the OHV riding area. Currently all reports must be done at the main police facility. OHV incident scenes can be 20 miles away from the police facility. This would enable LE officers to complete reports at the scene and reduce the amount of time LE officers are writing reports away from the OHV riding area.	3.000	3000.000	EA	9,000.00	0.00	9,000.00
	Satellite Phones Notes : The main LE/Information/1st Aid Building at Borax Bill Park	2.000	2000.000	EA	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00

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	does not have a telephone line. Currently, all cell phone towers in the area have poor coverage in the riding area, and NO to POOR coverage at Borax Bill Park. The Satellite Phones would enable telephone coverage to the Borax Bill Station for emergency personnel to communicate via telephone to other emergency personnel/agencies. The second unit would be installed into the Emergency Response Vehicle as described in Equipment Use expense.						
	Other-Dash Mount-GPS Notes : Durable dash-mounted GPS units for Emergency Vehicles. This would replace current hand-held units that only display an "Arrow" and reduce response times to injured OHV riders. Many riders carry GPS, give GPS location of their injured rider to OHV command post. The GPS units would display current map of the riding area and would be able to coordinate units better if knew cross-streets/routes rather than following an arrow on hand-held units.	4.000	600.000	EA	1,200.00	1,200.00	2,400.00
	Total for Equipment Purchases				14,200.00	1,200.00	15,400.00
6	Others						
7	Indirect Costs						
	Indirect Costs-Grant MGR	240.000	54.000	HRS	12,960.00	0.00	12,960.00
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4	Equipment Use Expenses	9,000.00	0.00	9,000.00	
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Environmental Review Data Sheet (ERDS)

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ITEM 1 and ITEM 2

ITEM 1

- a. ITEM 1 - Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)

ITEM 2

- b. Does the proposed Project include a request for funding for CEQA and/or NEPA document preparation prior to implementing the remaining Project Deliverables (i.e., is it a two-phased Project pursuant to Section 4970.06.1(b)) (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

ITEM 3 - Project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378

- c. ITEM 3 - Are the proposed activities a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)
- d. The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No
- e. Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS 4 – 10

ITEM 4 - Impact of this Project on Wetlands

ITEM 5 - Cumulative Impacts of this Project

ITEM 6 - Soil Impacts

ITEM 7 - Damage to Scenic Resources

ITEM 8 - Hazardous Materials

Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the hazards.

ITEM 9 - Potential for Adverse Impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources

Would the proposed Project have potential for any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

Discuss the potential for the proposed Project to have any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources.

ITEM 10 - Indirect Significant Impacts

CEQA/NEPA Attachment